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TO AMEMBASSY MASERU IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY MBABANE IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, LT, US

SUBJECT: VISIT OF AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE

1. AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE WILL BE FORCED TO CANCEL PLANNED VISIT TO SWAZILAND AND WILL NOT RPT NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AT MASERU. CANCELLATIONS REQUIRED BY DEVELOPMENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICAN NEGOTIATIONS.

2. FOR MBABANE: PLEASE CONVEY TO GOS OUR GREAT REGRET THAT ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFLE WILL BE UNABLE TO VISIT SWAZILAND AT THIS TIME. HE IS UNFORTUNATELY REQUIRED TO CANCEL HIS TRIP TO SWAZILAND BECAUSE OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA. WE SINCERELY HOPE THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO RESCHEDULE HIS VISIT FOR A LATER DATE.

3. FOR MASERU: PLEASE ADVISE GOL THAT SCHAUFLE IS NOT COMING ONLY BECAUSE OF URGENT NEED FOR HIM TO PURSUE NEGOTIATIONS FOR PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT FOR SOUTHERN AFRICAN PROBLEMS. WE BELIEVE WE HAVE RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE MAXIMUM EFFORT AT THIS TIME TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF CURRENT MOMENTUM IN NEGOTIATIONS. THIS REQUIRES THAT
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SCHAUFLE NOT ATTEND LESOTHO INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS.

WE SINCERELY REGRET THIS CHANGE OF PLAN, AND HOPE THAT HIS
VISIT MAY BE RESCHEDULED FOR A LATER DATE. KISSINGER

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